Location of ultra mega power projects in Orissa

1099. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI:
SHRI B.J. PANDA: MS.
PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to set up 5 ultra mega power projects of 4,000 MW each in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the location of these plants;

(c) whether any of such plants is also proposed to be set up in the backward Orissa State to improve its economy; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Chhattisgarh, Karnataka and Maharashtra are the States in which an ultra mega power project each is envisaged to be set up in the first phase.

(c) No, Sir. At the moment, there is no proposal to develop an ultra mega power project in the State of Orissa.

(d) Does not arise.

Different rates for power

† 1100. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that power producers have fixed different rates for selling of power in the country;

(b) if so, what are these rates;

(c) the reasons for difference in these rates; and

(d) the average percentage of power being purchased annually by the State Electricity Boards of the country at the above mentioned different rates from these power producers?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (c) Yes, Sir. Under the provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003 tariff

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for supply of Electricity by a generating company to a distribution licensee is determined by the Appropriate Eelctricity Regulatory Commission in accordance with the terms and conditions specified by the Commission.

The rates for supply of power by these producers are different because of the fact that the cost of generation for various power stations varies depending upon the various factors such as capital cost of the project, type of fuel used, transportation cost and operating parameters.

Section 63 of the Electricity Act, 2003 provides that the Appropriate Commission shall adopt the tariff if such tariff has been determined through transparent process of bidding in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Central Government.

(b) Mainly SEBs purchase power from NTPC and NHPC. Average selling rates for power for major producers of power in the country i.e., NTPC and NHPC for the year 2004-05 were 152 paise per unit and 148.03 paise per unit respectively.

(d) The average percentage of power being purchased by the State Electricity Boards/power utilities of the total power available for sale to their consumers from various power producers during the year 2005-06 was 51.66%.

Revised structure of APDRP

1101. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA:
SHRIMATI SUKHBUNS KAUR:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to restructure the Accelerated Power Development & Reforms Programme (APDRP) with an outlay of Rs. 40,000 crore under the Tenth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details and main features of the APDRP;

(c) on what lines the programme was sought to be restructured, and the revised structure and other details of the restructured programme; and

(d) the objects sought to be achieved under the restructured programme?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) Yes, Sir.